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# United States Senate

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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

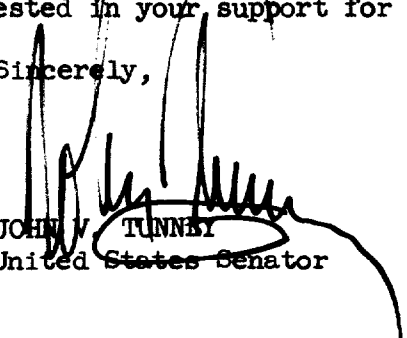
As you may know, the Congress is presently considering legislation to deal with the tremendous problem of drug abuse in this country. One of the things which concerns me about such legislation, however, is that adequate provisions be included to create the talent and the knowledge we will need to deal with drug abuse as a continuing problem in the future.

As a result of this concern, and after considerable study of possible alternatives, I have introduced S. 2809, a bill designed to encourage the development of such resources of talent and knowledge. I intend to offer its major provisions as an amendment to S. 2097, the Administration's comprehensive drug bill that is expected to reach the Senate floor next week.

In connection with that effort, I would appreciate very much your comments on this proposal. In particular, your support for this amendment would be most helpful in gaining favorable action by the Senate.

I am enclosing a reprint which includes the text of S. 2809 and my remarks explaining its provisions. I am sure that Senator Hughes as Chairman of the Alcoholism and Narcotics Subcommittee and Senator Javits, the ranking minority member, would be interested in your support for these proposals.

Sincerely,

  
JOHN V. TUNNEY  
United States Senator

Enclosure